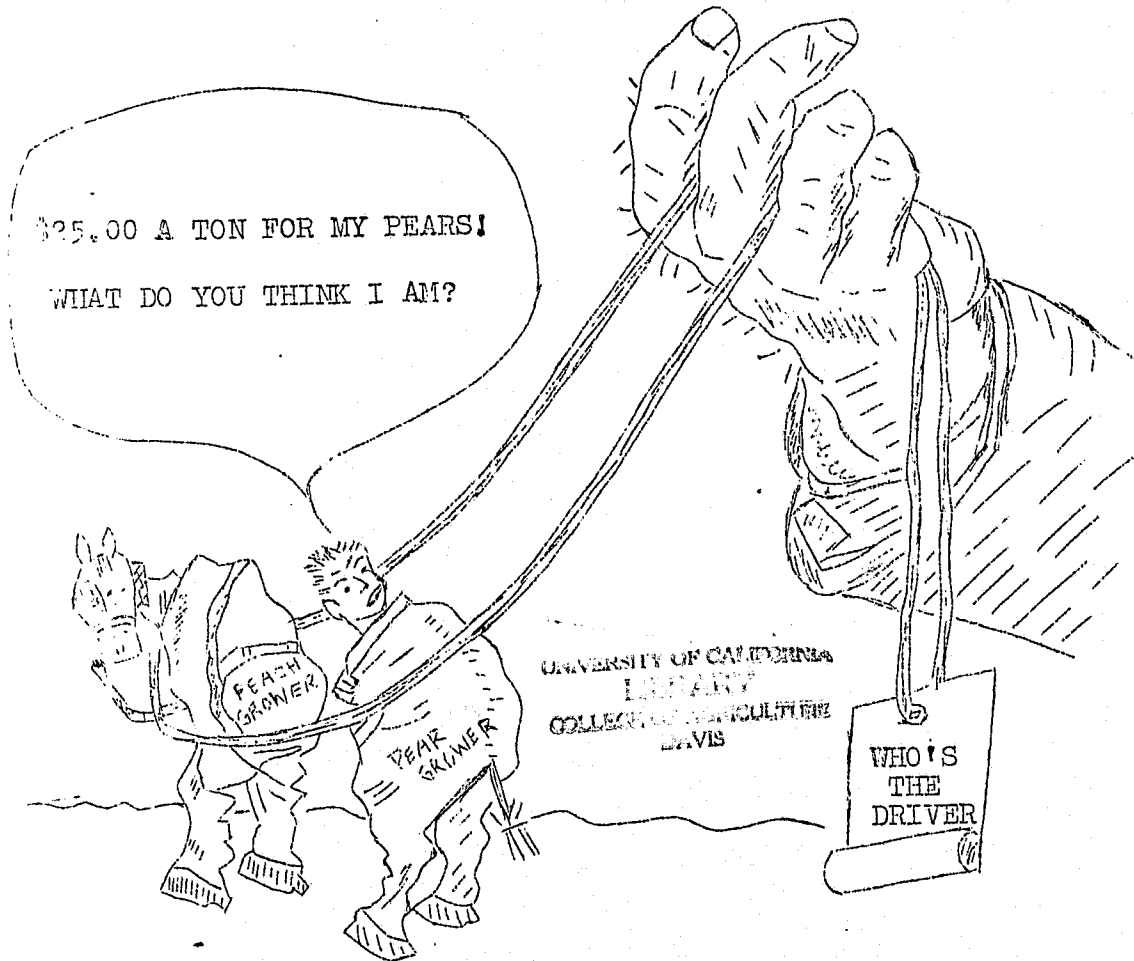


# CROP REPORT

## PLACER COUNTY

FRED CLARK  
COMMISSIONER

1949



"With apologies to Newton Pratt of the Sacramento Bee"

COUNTY OF PLACER  
OFFICE OF  
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

Auburn, California  
March 15, 1950

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Placer  
and  
A. A. Brock, Director  
California Department of Agriculture

Gentlemen:

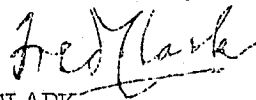
In accordance with the provisions of Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code, I submit a statistical report of the acreage, production and value of the agricultural products of Placer County for the year 1949. As in former years, an attempt has been made to exclude all padding from the report by eliminating such items as pasturage, ice cream, olive oil and other manufactured or processed commodities, such values having been already credited as "animals sold", "dairy products", etc. Nor has mention been made of the thriving and ever-growing lumber industry whose profits during 1949, if included, would add from twelve to fifteen million dollars to the income of the County.

One single comment on this report might be appropriate. 1949 is the first year within the recollection of most of the inhabitants of Placer County engaged in the Agricultural industry, when income to the County under the heading of "Livestock" has exceeded that derived from "Fruit and Nut Crops".

As this is the last report I will be privileged to make, I wish to take this opportunity of thanking all the Agricultural Agencies, growers, fruit house managers, livestock men, poultry men, storckeeper, beekeepers, nurserymen, dairymen, grain and hay producers and dealers and the many other individuals and organizations whose equanimity I have found it necessary to disturb in order to gather the information which has made this and former reports possible. Their cooperation has been sincerely appreciated.

My special thanks is due to my Secretary, whose diligence and patience in compiling and checking figures and in cutting and mimeographing the stencils, has greatly lightened the burden of making this report.

Very truly yours,



FRED CLARK  
Agricultural Commissioner

Lois Shannon  
Secretary

ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS  
PLACER COUNTY, CALIFORNIA - 1949

COMPILED BY FRED CLARK, AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

FRUIT & NUT CROPS

CROP	BEARING ACREAGE	NON BRG. ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	UNIT	VALUE
Almonds	392	0	125	Tons	\$ 300.00
Apricots	34	0			
packed fresh			842	Pkgs	1.15
processed			12	Tons	45.00
Cherries	323	0			
packed fresh			12,386	Pkgs	2.75
cannery			261	Tons	135.00
Grapes	2,866 (All)	166			
Table			7,540	Pkgs	1.25
Wine					
Shipped			3,180	Tons	40.00
Winery			1,740	Tons	25.00
Nectarines	15	0	2,032	Pkgs	1.15
Olives	414 (All)	0			
for oil			52	Tons	60.00
for canning			446	Tons	185.00
Peaches	1,328 (All)	6			
packed fresh (Frees & Clings)			106,785	Pkgs	.85
cannery frees			876	Tons	32.00
cannery clings			367	Tons	40.00
Pears	5,322 (All)	70			
packed fresh					
Early pears			29,239	Pkgs	1.85
Bartletts			755,157	Pkgs	1.75
Winter			21,053	Pkgs	1.10
cannery					
Bartletts			16,149	Tons	28.50
Winter			1,454	Tons	17.50
Dry yard			806	Tons	5.00
Persimmons	142		36,877	Pkgs	.95
Plums	10,061 (All)	62			
packed fresh			1,454,499	Pkgs	1.40
processed			28	Tons	5.00
Prunes	92	0	(dried) 47	Tons	160.00
Quinces	33	0			
packed fresh			6,352	Pkgs	.95
cannery			14	Tons	25.00
Walnuts	16	0	20	Tons	340.00
					\$4,490,548.70

FIELD CROPS

Alfalfa Hay	1,005		5,025	Tons	25.00	125,625.00
Wheat	16,203		9,720	Tons	65.00	631,800.00
Oats	4,735		2,610	Tons	50.00	130,500.00
Barley	1,985		2,646	Tons	45.00	119,070.00
Corn	175		255	Tons	60.00	15,300.00
Grain Hay	2,275		3,412	Tons	26.50	90,418.00
Rice	3,531		116,523	Sacks	3.75	436,961.25
						\$1,549,674.25

MISCELLANEOUS

Nursery stock					
fruit trees	787,500 trees	Q	.50	\$ 393,750.00	
ornamentals	21,580 plants	Q	.65	14,027.00	
Apiary					
Honey	36,075 lbs produced for sale	Q	.09	3,246.75	
Wax	721 lbs " " "	Q	.35	252.35	
Package bees	7,100 lbs " " "	Q	1.25	8,875.00	
Queens	2,300 " " "	Q	1.00	2,300.00	
Colonies for pollenization	1,000	Q	1.00	1,000.00	
Seed					
Ladino	140 acres 17,500 lbs.	Q	1.40	24,500.00	
					\$ 447,951.10

LIVESTOCK

Poultry - Producing hens	48,665				
Meat sold	208,000 pounds	Per pound	.22	45,760.00	
Eggs sold	760,000 dozen	Per dozen	.48	364,800.00	
Turkeys					
Meat sold	1,317,925 pounds	Per pound	.45	593,066.25	
Eggs sold for hatching	420,000	Per egg	.30	126,000.00	
Dairy Cattle	3,900 all cattle				
Butterfat	858,000 pounds	Per pound	.98	840,840.00	
Animals sold	2,092	Per head	150.00	313,800.00	
Beef Cattle - all cattle	13,570				
Cattle Sold	8,560	Per head	155.00	1,326,800.00	
Calves sold	4,755	Per head	75.00	356,625.00	
Hogs - all hogs	6,050				
Hogs sold	4,950	Per head	42.50	210,375.00	
Sheep - all sheep	27,000				
Lambs sold	23,000	Per head	20.40	469,200.00	
Wool sold	225,000	Per pound	.58	130,500.00	
					\$ 4,777,766.25

Payments under P. M. A. Program				\$ 68,392.00
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Explanation of values: They represent as nearly as possible the income to the County, but do not, in all cases, represent the money received by the producer.

SUMMARY

Total Deciduous Fruits -	-	-	\$	4,490,548.70
Total Field Crops -	-	-		1,549,674.25
Total Miscellaneous -	-	-		447,951.10
Total Livestock -	-	-		4,777,766.25
Payments Under P. M. A. Program	-			68,392.00

GRAND TOTALS SINCE 1943

1943 - -	\$13,761,065.76
1944 - -	10,463,373.18
1945 - -	11,217,636.19
1946 - -	13,514,477.01
1947 - -	14,286,966.00
1948 - -	17,212,583.38
1949 - -	11,334,332.30